

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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FOREIGN ASSISTANCE FOR DRINKING WATER
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sought any foreign assistance to provide safe drinking water facilities in the country particularly in the rural areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the names of the countries which are providing assistance for safe drinking water in rural areas of the country; State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the projects undertaken in the country, during the last three years State-wise and location-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

- (a) Rural water supply being a State subject, at times the State Governments, to supplement their resources from their own and that available from the Centre, seek assistance. These proposals are considered and then recommended to the concerned country/ foreign organization for sanctioning foreign aid/ loan.
- (b) & (c) Germany and Japan are providing assistance to implement rural water supply programmes. Rural Water Supply Project, Rajasthan; Rural Water Supply Project, Maharashtra and Rural Water Supply Project, West Bengal are being implemented with the assistance of Germany. Rural Water Supply Project, Kerala and Hogenakkal Water Supply Project, Tamil Nadu are under implementation with the assistance of Japan.